INDIAN LIBRARIES PRE-CONFERENCE RESCHEDULED FOR 1991 BY NCAI

Washington, D.C. ... The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) announced August 2, 1990 the rescheduling of its Indian Pre-Conference to the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services. Originally to be held in conjunction with the NCAI's 47th Annual Convention in November 1990, it is now planned for early 1991 in Washington, D.C.

Citing a priority on generating participation by tribal leaders, Committee Co-Chair Harold Tarbell observed that the annual convention provides tribal leaders with so much information, that to get their total attention, a more focused event is planned. It will be held in conjunction with the NCAI's 1991 Executive Council meeting.

Indian leadership needs to understand the part libraries play in supporting Native American cultural and economic growth, Tarbell said. Tarbell is the NCAI's Northeast Area Vice President.

Since one of the major objectives of the meeting is to elect four delegates to the July 1991 White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services, Tarbell is urging that more delegate nominee names be submitted so that as wide a segment of the Native American NCAI constituency as possible are represented at the Pre-Conference deliberations. Deadline for receipt of nominations forms has been extended to October 30, 1990.

The Pre-Conference delegate selections will be made at the NCAI convention in November, the next time the Advisory Committee for the Indian Pre-Conference meets, states Tarbell.

On the theme: "Indian Libraries: Reclaiming Our History, Designing Our Future," the Pre-Conference planners have commissioned five papers to be presented at the meeting as points for discussion.

Delegates to the Pre-Conference will also develop positions to be presented to the White House Conference that the NCAI hopes will be included in any resulting legislative initiatives for increased library services.

Plans are also being made to hold some special events at the NCAI Convention in November to highlight the 1991 meeting.

The National Congress of American Indians is a 46-year-old national Indian advocacy organization headquartered in Washington, D.C. The White House Pre-Conference is a project of the NCAI Fund, the non-profit research and education arm of the NCAI.

For further information, contact: Library Project Coordinator, NCAI, 900 Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E., Washington, D.C. 20003 (202) 546-9404.

AILA HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING DURING ALA CONFERENCE

"Recovering Our Past and Designing Our Future" was the subject of our annual program. The discussion was led by Harold Tarbell, Chief of the Mohawk Nation, and Lotsee Patterson, Co-Chair of the Indian Pre-White House Conference. The program was well attended by numerous library and information specialists including: Virginia Matthews and two representatives from NCLIS, Mary Alice Hedge Reszetar and Eleanor Swain. Many valuable suggestions and comments were heard.
NCLIS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED

The U.S. National Commission of Libraries and Information Science has established a Committee on Library and Information Services for Native Americans. The purpose of this committee is to collect information regarding the conditions of tribal libraries and how they can be improved. To accomplish this task, the third in a series of five hearings will be held on Wednesday, October 24 at the State of Connecticut Legislative Office Building, Room 1A, 210 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tribes in the northeastern United States are being invited to testify. Members of the NCLIS Committee will make site visits to selected tribal libraries in the area prior to the hearings. Two previous hearings have been held in Santa Fe, New Mexico and Orlando, Florida.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE NAMED FOR INDIAN PRE-CONFERENCE

The advisory committee for the Indian pre-conference on the 1991 White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services are:

Co-Chairs - Harold Tarbell, NCAI Northeast Area, New York and Dr. Lotseë Patterson, Director of School Media In Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Members - Elaine Filbert, Librarian/Tourism Director, Pueblo of Santa Clara; Irving Nelson, Manager, Navajo Nation Library System; Dennis Reed, Librarian, Montana; Dixie Dayo, Library User, Arkansas; Darlene Magee, Librarian, California; Charlene LaPointe, Archivist, South Dakota; and Virginia Matthews, Library Professional Publications, Connecticut.

Federal Representatives - Dr. Sandra J. Fox, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Mary Alice Hedge Reszetar, National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.


CALL FOR DELEGATES

Indian Libraries: Reclaiming Our History, Designing Our Future

Nominations for delegates are currently being accepted by the NCAI Library Advisory Committee.

NOMINEES MUST BE NATIVE AMERICAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE

** Library Professionals **
** Library Supporters **
** Tribal Officials **
** Members of the General Public **

Please canvass your community for eligible delegates
Delegate Nomination Forms Attached

Questions - Call NCAI (202) 546-9404

NOMINATIONS FOR RASD AWARD SOUGHT

The RASD Denali Press Award Committee is requesting nominations for outstanding reference works about ethnic and minority groups in the United States.

The Denali Press Award was established by the RASD Board to recognize achievement in creating quality reference works specifically about ethnic and minority groups.

Nominations are due by December 15, 1990 and must include either a statement of why the work is outstanding or reviews of the work. Nominations will be reviewed by the award committee at the ALA Midwinter meeting in Chicago.

Send nominations to:
Linda J. Sammataro, Chair
Denali Press Award Committee
3649 Taliluna Ave.
Unit G-3
Knoxville, TN 37919
The Sac and Fox National Public Library opened in April 1988, after more than three years of planning.

The library is open to citizens of the tribal jurisdiction, both Indian and non-Indian. The general collection, as well as the Indian related material are catalogued by the Dewey Decimal system.

The Sac and Fox library's most unique collection is the archive collection which contains photographs, census rolls, copies of treaties, ethnographic bulletins, school records of the old agency school once located on the reservation and oral history tapes. The Sac and Fox police and court system are also supported by a law collection located in the tribal court house.

The 2,200 square foot library building is located on the tribal lands located five miles south of Stroud, Oklahoma. After two years in operation the proposed capacity of 10,000 volumes is over half met.

Funding for the construction of the building was obtained from the U.S. Department of Education, Library Services Construction Act IV, Library Services to Indian Tribes, Special Projects. Other funding sources include a Basic Library Grant from DOE, Consolidated Tribal Government Programs, the Sac and Fox Tax Department, fund raising and private donations.

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1. National commitments of financial resources for library services are indispensable investments in the nation's productivity.

2. Democracy is at risk when our libraries are at risk.

3. Diversity of library collections and staff is essential to serve U.S. citizens of diverse backgrounds.

4. Culturally diverse people must be recruited to the library and information services professions and must be educated to provide quality library and information services.

5. Open and equitable access to information in all formats is a linchpin of our democratic society.

6. Public access to government information, including legal information, is vital to a just society.

7. An effective marketing and public relations campaign must be mounted to promote services, increase awareness, and provide feedback to shape new library and information services programs.

8. Libraries are educational institutions which have a fundamental role in promoting literacy.

9. Materials in all types of libraries are in danger of destruction or disintegration. That must not happen. They must be preserved.

NEW AILA OFFICERS

President: Naomi Caldwell-Wood
Vice President: Rhonda Taylor
Secretary: Lisa Mitten
Treasurer: Charles Townley
Chair, OLOS Library Services for American Indians
Subcommittee: John S. Aubrey
KICKINGBIRD NAMED FIRST ALA MINORITY FELLOW

Congratulations to Robin Kickingbird (Kiowa), the first ALA Minority Fellow. Building a network of tribal libraries, preservation of tribal archives, and educational opportunities for tribal librarians are among her priorities. Kickingbird received her MLIS and the Certificate of Advanced Study from the University of Oklahoma.

AILA NEWSLETTER HAS A NEW HOME

During the Annual ALA Conference, the University of Oklahoma School of Library and Information Studies was selected to produce the Newsletter. Faculty member Mary Lockett and Lotsee Patterson (Comanche), an adjunct professor, are co-editors.

Lana Grant (Sac and Fox), a student in the Certificate for Advanced Study program, is the editorial assistant. MLIS students Catherine Bark (Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma) and Jennifer Goodson also assist with the Newsletter.

Starting with Lana Grant’s column in this issue, the Newsletter will include information on individual tribal libraries. A second feature instituted in this issue is a column by Mary Lockett on educational opportunities.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

by Mary Lockett

Last spring the University of Oklahoma conducted a survey of tribal libraries to identify training needs. Tribal library personnel indicated that the availability of financial aid was the primary factor in a decision to pursue a professional degree.

This column will present information on educational and financial aid opportunities through library schools and professional organizations.

The University of Oklahoma offers Participation Program Graduate Assistantships to U.S. citizens who are members of one of the following ethnic minority groups: American Indian, Black, Hispanic, or Asian American. Fellowships are available for students pursuing either the master’s degree or the certificate of advanced study. Candidates for the MLIS degree receive a stipend of $7,500 for nine months. The post-MLIS assistantship varies from $7,500 to $12,000.

Four Indian library science students have received these assistantships in the past two years. Robin Kickingbird, the ALA Minority Fellow and the first SLIS recipient of the award, participated in a preservation project. Billie Curry participated in a tribal library needs assessment. Lana Grant and Catherine Bark are assisting with the AILA Newsletter and related projects.

Information on the Program for Minority Participation is available from Dr. Dorscine Spignier-Littles, Coordinator, Minority Participation, College of Arts and Sciences, Room 221, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019, Telephone: (405) 325-2077 or 1-800-523-6373, ext. 2077.

NIEC REQUESTS CURRICULUM MATERIALS

The National Indian Education Clearinghouse (NIEC) is a database and library collection which is a permanent part of the Arizona State University Library System. The computerized database includes 1) American Indian library collections, research and curriculum resources throughout the United States; 2) publishers and curriculum materials available for all grade levels, elementary through higher education; and 3) American Indian course offerings available at higher education institutions in the United States.

The NIEC requests three copies of copyrighted American Indian/Alaska Native curriculum materials and one copy of non-copyrighted materials. Program information and other materials relevant to Indian Education research and teaching are also requested.

Send information and materials to Mimi McBride (Standing Rock Sioux), NIEC, Hayden Library Room 204, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287 or call (606) 965-6490.
JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following five positions are available at the OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES. Open until filled; first review 31 August. Apply to Sharon A. Sullivan, Personnel Librarian, The Ohio State University Libraries, 1858 Neil Avenue Mall, Columbus OH 43210. Qualified women, minorities, and handicapped persons are encouraged to apply. All positions require ability to meet University's criteria for tenure and promotion, including research, publication, and service.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR TECHNICAL SERVICES.
$50,040 - 57,000
Administers all technical services operations in highly automated environment; oversees 2 department heads and tech. serv. personnel (24 FTE librarians, 68 FTE staff, 15 FTE students). Required: ALA-MLS; at least 10 years relevant experience in progressively responsible positions, a substantial part in research library using OCLC; demonstrated leadership ability; demonstrated ability to direct operations utilizing automated systems; familiarity with automated systems; ability to analyze work processes, to formulate sound planning, to recommend applications of technology; ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, and to work effectively with library staff, users, University administrators. Desirable: additional advanced degree(s)/training.

HEAD, COPY CATALOGING SECTION.
$29,520 - 34,560
(Search reopened) Responsible for section creating records for online public access catalog. Required: ALA-MLS; substantial experience in original cataloging; experience using OCLC or other bibliographic utility; strong communication and interpersonal skills; flexibility to adapt to frequently changing environment. Preference to candidates with demonstrated supervisory experience. Desirable: reading knowledge of Western European or East Asian language(s); experience with local online system.

CATALOGER, CHARVAT COLLECTION OF AMERICAN FICTION.
$23,160 - 24,600
Reports to Head, Special Collections Cataloging and works closely with Charvat Collection Curator. Position funded by grant through at least August 1992. Required: ALA-MLS; knowledge of MARC; cataloging experience in academic or research library using AACR2 and LC classification. Highly desirable: experience with full descriptive cataloging for special collections; experience with MARC formats and OCLC or similar system; demonstrated knowledge of late 19th and early 20th century American literature.

REFERENCE AND COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT LIBRARIAN, UNDERGRADUATE LIBRARY.
$23,160 - 25,200
Provides reference service; online searching; collection development; bibliographic instruction. Required: ALA-MLS; excellent oral/written communication skills; enthusiasm for public service; ability to work productively with diverse groups. Desirable: experience/course work in reference, online searching, collection development, bibliographic instruction.

REFERENCE LIBRARIAN, BUSINESS LIBRARY (half-time position).
$11,580 - 12,130
Provides reference service and online searching (afternoons and evenings, Mon.-Thurs.) to students and faculty, College of Business and Departments of Economics and Geography. Required: ALA-MLS; excellent oral and written communication skills; enthusiasm for public service; ability to work productively with diverse groups. Highly desirable: knowledge of the literature in business and related subjects; experience in reference, online searching and/or bibliographic instruction.

INFORMATION SERVICES LIBRARIAN, HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTER/UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.
Required: ALA-MLS; minimum 1 year post-MLS experience in health sciences library; on-line database searching experience; excellent communication and interpersonal skills; interest in providing quality reference service; demonstrated ability to work effectively with library staff and users. Desirable: experience in bibliographic instruction and user education; familiarity with microcomputer and CD-ROM applications; degree or substantial coursework in life sciences. SALARY: $24,000 minimum, dependent upon background and experience. No state or local income tax. APPLICATION DEADLINE: 5:00 p.m., Friday, Sept. 28, 1990. Send letter of application, full resume, salary requirements, and names, addresses, and telephone numbers of at least 3 references who are knowledgeable of your qualifications for this position to: Charles E. Chamberlin, Deputy Director of Libraries, University of Washington Libraries, FM-25, Seattle, Washington, 98195-0001.
HEAD, ACQUISITIONS DEPARTMENT/UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.
$30,000-37,000
Responsible for the management of the centralized Acquisitions Department, including the central library and ten college and departmental libraries; staff of 20 FTE; implementing automated acquisitions/serials/accounting system. Required: ALA-MLS; 3 years academic or research library experience; substantial experience in the acquisition of serials, monographs, and non-book formats; proven successful supervisory experience; knowledge of and functional experience with automated acquisitions systems; experience with OCLC or a similar bibliographic utility; ability to communicate clearly, both orally and in writing. Preferred: reading knowledge of one modern European language; collection development experience; working knowledge of microcomputer software. Faculty status.

REFERENCE LIBRARIAN/ARIZONA HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER.
$21,000-24,000
Under the Head of Reference Services, provides bibliographic, instructional, and reference assistance to library users. Responsibilities: providing Reference Desk coverage; online searching; library orientation. Week-day and some Saturday or evening work.
Required: ALA-MLS; coursework or experience with MEDLINE searching; good communication and interpersonal skills. Prefer: academic background in health sciences and/or coursework/experience in health science-librarianship. Annual reappointment on fiscal year basis subject to availability of funds. Contact: Thomas D. Higdon, Director, Arizona Health Sciences Center Library, 1501 N. Campbell Ave., Tucson, AZ 85724. Completed applications (including the forms supplied by the AHSC Library) received prior to Oct. 15, 1990 will receive first consideration. Applications will continue to be accepted until position is filled. Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR/RIDER COLLEGE.
Approximately $40,000
Coordinates day-to-day operations of library and assists in planning, implementation, development and evaluation of policies, services, personnel. Automation has created a generalist environment for our 10 librarians that requires creative management, imagination, and stamina. This 12 month position reports to Director and is the second-line administrator. Qualifications include increasingly responsible administrative/supervisory experience (3 years minimum) in an academic library, demonstrated excellent verbal/written communication and interpersonal, human-relations skills, and an ALA-MLS. A public service background is desirable with a willingness to gain indepth understanding of all library operations. Letter of application by Oct. 15, 1990, indicating how your goals are compatible with a generalist library environment (include resume and list 3 references) to Ross Stephen, Director of Library Services, Rider College Library, 2083 Lawrenceville Rd., Lawrenceville, NJ 08648. Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and minorities invited to apply.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN/INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT, HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY, SUNY BUFFALO.
$24,500 minimum
Provide biomedical reference services, including online searching; instruct patrons in use of reference resources, library research techniques, and electronic information sources; coordinate enduser training for inhouse systems; collection development in a subject area. Required: ALA-MLS; minimum one year professional experience in a public service area of a health science library; demonstrated proficiency with print and computerized biomedical reference sources including MEDLINE and other NLM databases; excellent interpersonal, oral, writing communication skills; service oriented, self-motivated, work well as part of a team. Preferred: experience with enduser search services; planning and teaching group library instruction; searching BRS and DIALOG databases; experience with Grateful Med, collection development, bibliographic instruction software. Faculty status; Assistant Librarian. Two-year appointment. Send letter of application, resume, and names of at least three references to: Ms. M. E. State, Library Personnel Officer, University Libraries, State University of New York at Buffalo, 432 Capen Hall, Buffalo, NY 14260. Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.
MUSIC CATALOGER/UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI, UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES, GORNO MEMORIAL LIBRARY-COLLEGE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.

$21,000-$25,000

Responsibilities: Responsible for the cataloging of music scores and maintenance of score/monograph catalog, shelf list, and authority list. Required: ALA-MLIS; bachelor’s degree in music; reading knowledge of one modern European language in addition to English; ability to communicate clearly, both orally and in writing. Preferred: experience cataloging music scores; experience with OCLC cataloging system; master’s degree in music, music history, or musicology; experience with microcomputers and database management; supervisory experience. Faculty status. Send: cover letter with complete statement of qualifications; resume outlining education and experience; names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three references to: Mark Weber, Assistant University Librarian for Personnel, 640 Langsam Library, University of Cincinnati, OH 45221-0033. Letters of application must be postmarked no later than November 1, 1990.

Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

MARINE STUDIES LIBRARIAN/UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE.

$23,288/minimum, asst. librarian
$26,488/minimum, senior asst. librarian

Reports to the Head, Branch Libraries Department. Responsibilities: Responsible for daily management of the Marine Studies Library, located in Lewes, DE. Qualifications: ALA-MLIS; effective communication skills; professional experience in public services in an academic library, including online searching, collection development, and user education; experience and/or coursework in the sciences and technical services experience desirable. Send letter of application, current resume, and the names and telephone numbers of three references to Maidel Cason, Assistant Director of Libraries for Administrative Services, Office of the Director, University of Delaware Library, Newark, DE 19717-5267. To ensure consideration application must be received by Oct. 8, 1990.

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